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MS Amendment

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Dear Examiner Blumel:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action of March 25, 2008. A petition for a one-month extension of time is attached, thereby extending the period for reply to May 25, 2008. Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, without traverse. Although no amendments to the claims have been made, a listing of the claims is included for the Examiner's convenience.